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1. THE LIKUD PLATFORM ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND SECURITY AS ADOPTED BY THE LIKUD EXECUTIVE RUNS ON TO SEVERAL SINGLE-SPACED PAGES . WE HAVE SUMMARIZED ITS MAIN FEATURES BELOW. THE TRANSLATION OF THE COMPLETE TEXT, TOGETHER WITH THE SECTIONS OF THE PLATFORM ON ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL POLICY, WILL BE SENT BY POUCH.

2. BEGIN HAS BEEN AN OCCASIONAL CONTRIBUTOR TO MAARIV'S FRIDAY EDITION. BECAUSE OF HIS ILLNESS AND THE DICTATES OF THE CAMPAIGN, IN RECENT WEEKS HIS ARTICLES HAVE ONLY APPEARED ON APRIL 22 AND MAY 13. THE APRIL 22 ARTICLE DEALS WITH MOSHE DAYAN AND HIS RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH THE KIKUD. BEGIN'S ARTICLE ON MAY 13 CONTAINS A WIDE-RANGING DISCUSSION OF U.S.-ISRAELI RELATIONS. THE LATTER ARTICLE IS BEING TRANSLATED AND A PRECIS WILL BE SENT BY CABLE AS SOON AS AVAILABLE. BEGIN IS ALSO A REGULAR CONTRIBUTOR TO THE JEWISH PRESS WHICH APPEARS EVERY FRIDAY AND IS PUBLISHED IN ISRAEL AND NEW YORK. WE BELIEVE IT
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IS AVAILABLE AT N.Y. NEWSTANDS AND JEWISH BOOKSTORES.

3. BEGIN SUMMARIZED TEXT. RIGHT OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE TO ERETZ YISRAEL: (A) THIS RIGHT IS ETERNAL AND INDISPUTABLE. IT IS LINKED WITH THE RIGHT TO SECURITY AND PEACE. JUDEA AND SAMARIA WILL NOT BE HANDED OVER TO ANY FOREIGN ADMINISTRATION. BETWEEN THE SEA AND THE JORDAN

RIVER THERE WILL BE ONLY ISRAELI SOVEREIGNTY. (B) RELINQUISHING PARTS OF WESTERN ERETZ YISRAEL UNDERMINES OUR RIGHT TO THE COUNTRY, UNAVOIDABLY LEADS TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A "PALESTINIAN STATE", JEOPARDIZES THE SECURITY OF THE JEWISH POPULATION, ENDANGERS THE EXISTENCE OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL, AND FRUSTRATES ANY PROSPECT OF PEACE. A "PALESTINIAN STATE" WILL ALSO PRESENT A THREAT TO THE FREE WORLD. A LIKUD GOVERNMENT (LG) WILL EXPOSE THE COMMON DANGERS TO FREE AND DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES, AND THE U.S. IN PARTICULAR, OF SUCH A STATE.

4. GENUINE PEACE - OUR CENTRAL OBJECTIVE: (A) LG WILL PLACE ITS ASPIRATIONS FOR PEACE AT TOP OF ITS PRIORITIES AND WILL SPARE NO EFFORT TO PROMOTE PEACE. IT WILL ACT AS A GENUINE PARTNER AT PEACE TREATY NEGOTIATIONS WITH OUR NEIGHBORS. THE LG WILL ATTEND THE GENEVA CONFERENCE (B) THE LG WILL TAKE ALL THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO PREVENT ANOTHER WAR. ITS FIRM STAND AND CREDIBILITY WILL DETER AGGRESSION AND WILL PREVENT HOSTILITY. (C) THE LG WILL INVITE ISRAEL'S NEIGHBORS TO HOLD DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT ANY PRECONDITIONS AND WITHOUT ANY SOLUTION FORMULA INVENTED BY OUTSIDERS. AT THE NEGOTIATIONS EACH PARTY WILL BE FREE TO MAKE ANY PROPOSALS. (D) THE NEGOTIATIONS CAN TAKE PLACE EITHER IN THE CAPITALS OF COUNTRIES IN THE AREA, OR ON NEUTRAL GROUND, SUCH AS GENEVA. (E) ONCE PEACE PACTS ARE SIGNED AN END WILL BE PUT TO STATE OF WAR, BORDERS WILL BE OUTLINED (IN THE PEACE PACTS) AND NORMAL RELATIONS WILL BE ESTABLISHED. (F) IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH EGYPT AND SYRIA AIMED AT UNCLASSIFIED

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ACHIEVING PEACE TREATY, THE LG WILL WORK TOWARD AN AGREEMENT, WHILE TAKING INTO ACCOUNT INTERESTS AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE PARTIES.

(G) IN ABSENCE OF PEACE TREATIES, THE PARTIES WILL BE BOUND BY THE AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED BETWEEN THEM.

5. SETTLEMENT: SETTLEMENT, BOTH URBAN AND RURAL, IN ALL PARTS OF ERETZ YISRAEL WAS AND IS THE FOCAL POINT OF THE ZIONIST EFFORT TO REDEEM THE COUNTRY, TO MAINTAIN VITAL SECURITY AREAS AND SERVE AS A RESERVOIR OF STRENGTH AND INSPIRATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE PIONEERING SPIRIT.

6. ISRAELI ARABS: IN ERETZ YISRAEL ALL CITIZENS AND INHABITANTS WILL ENJOY EQUAL RIGHTS REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY OR RELIGION, SEX OR SECT. ANYONE WHO WILL APPLY FOR CITIZENSHIP, AND WILL UNDERTAKE TO BE LOYAL TO IT, WILL OBTAIN THE SAID CITIZENSHIP; SHOULD HE PREFER HIS FORMER CITIZENSHIP, HE WOULD KEEP IT; THE STATE WILL IMPOSE ITS CITIZENSHIP ON NONE OF THE COUNTRY'S INHABITANTS.

7. REFUGEE PROBLEM: THE REFUGEE PROBLEM IS A HUMAN PROBLEM. WE WILL MAKE AN EFFORT TO RESOLVE IT HUMANELY. ARAB REFUGEES LIVING IN ERETZ YISRAEL WILL BE REHABILITATED. THE REFUGEES IN THE VAST ARAB COUNTRIES SHOULD HAVE THEIR PROBLEMS SOLVED THERE BY THE SAME POSITIVE HUMANE MEANS.

8. THE ARAB TERROR ORGANIZATIONS: THE FORMULA CLAIMING THAT IF THE TERRORISTS ORGANIZATIONS RECOGNIZE ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO EXIST, ISRAEL WILL NEGOTIATE WITH THEM, IS A DANGEROUS TRIP.

9. ISRAEL-U.S. RELATIONS: THE LG WILL CONCENTRATE ON DEEPENING FRIENDSHIP AND UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN U.S. AND ISRAEL. RELATIONS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND U.S. CAN AND MUST BE BASED ON A RECOGNITION OF COMMON INTERESTS AND RECIPROCITY. SIDE BY SIDE WITH COMMON VALUES AS REGARDS
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LIBERTY, JUSTICE, AND DEMOCRACY, U.S. HAS A NATIONAL INTEREST TO MAINTAIN A STRONG ISRAEL, BECAUSE THE STATE CURBS SPREAD OF SOVIET IMPERIALISM IN MIDDLE EAST.

10. DEFENSE POLICY: IN SPITE OF PREPARATIONS BY ISRAEL'S ENEMIES FOR A NEW WAR, WAR IS NOT INEVITABLE. TO LIMIT ISRAEL'S DEPENDENCE ON FOREIGN PROCUREMENT, THE LG WILL ENLIST THE COUNTRY'S ENTIRE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL POTENTIAL, ITS INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION CAPABILITY AND ALL POSSIBLE MATERIAL RESOURCES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION OF ARMS SYSTEMS NECESSARY FOR THE DETERRENCE OF AGGRESSION AND THE DEFENSE OF THE STATE.
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